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REMARKS

Upon entry of the instant amendment, Claims 1-20 are pending. Claims 1, 6, 11, 16, and 19 have been amended to more particularly point out Applicants' invention.

Claims 1-20 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,868,090 ("Ma"). Applicants respectfully submit that the claimed invention is not taught, suggested, or implied by Ma.

As described in the Specification, aspects of the present invention relate to testing H.450 supplementary service features. According to an implementation of the invention, an H.450 test client is provided. The H.450 test client can send and receive H.450 application protocol data units in any H.225 message. The test client allows for the setting of desired H.450 parameters and allows for the display of the H.450 message itself.

More particularly, embodiments of the present invention allow a user to selectively define and send and receive any H.450 protocol data unit (PDU) in any H.225 message. Further, embodiments of the present invention allow the user to send test H.225 messages, with or without H.450 APDUs. If an H.450 APDU is to be sent, the user can select the specific H.450 APDU and any combination of information elements and network facility extension. The messages are then sent and received. The System performance can then be observed.

Thus, claim 1 and 11 have been amended to recite "providing a test program configured to allow a user to selectively build and view H.450 APDUs;" claim 6 and 16 have been amended to recite "providing a test program adapted to allow a user to selectively specify and display an H.225 message for sending to other systems;" and claim 19 has been amended to recite "a test program configured to allow a user to selectively build and view supplementary service APDUs."

In contrast, as discussed in response to the previous Official Action, Ma merely provides an H.323 telecommunications system using H.450 APDU's. While Ma "can add an H.4501.1 interface to an existing SCP so that AIN services can be provided homogeneously to its PSTN and H.323 network customers (Col. 6, lines 37-39),"

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nowhere does Ma contain a hint that, once added, a test facility is or indeed can be provided, wherein a user can build, view and receive supplementary service APDU's, as generally recited in the claims at issue.

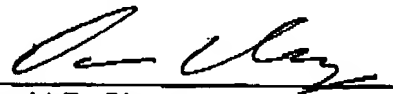
Thus if anything, Ma is representative of problems solved by embodiments of the present invention, which allow users to specify APDUs for network testing. Furthermore, Applicants respectfully disagree that "the same functionality of implementing protocol interface is achieved." Instead, as recited in the claims, a test program according to implementations of the present invention allows a user to selectively build and view supplementary service APDUs, a functionality which goes beyond "implementing protocol interface."

As such, the Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider and withdraw the rejection.

For all of the above reasons, Applicants respectfully submit that the application is in condition for allowance, which allowance is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully requested,

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